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SUBJECT: FRENCH ACTIVITIES IN CHILE

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1. ON SEPTEMBER 28, QUAI PUBLISHED A COMMUNIQUE IN REPLY TO AN ARTICLE IN LE MONDE OF SEPTEMBER 27 ACCUSING THE GOF OF INDIFFERENCE TO THE PLIGHT OF FRENCH CITIZENS CURRENTLY DETAINED IN CHILE. THE QUAI MEMORANDUM DETAILS THE EFFORTS TAKEN BY FRENCH EMBASSY IN SANTIAGO TO AID FRENCH SUBJECTS, AND LISTS BY NAME THOSE RELEASED FROM DETENTION AS A RESULT OF EMBASSY DEMARCHES. THE COMMUNIQUE FURTHER DESCRIBES FRENCH DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES AIMED AT EASING THE PLIGHT OF THIRD-COUNTRY REFUGEES IN CHILE.

2. IN THE COURSE OF HIS SEPTEMBER 27 PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS ON CHILE, HIGHLIGHTS OF WHICH REPORTED IN REF B, PRESIDENT POMPIDOU LIKewise INSERTED BRIEF STATEMENT THAT THE GOF WAS ACTIVE IN AIDING BOTH FRENCH AND THIRD-COUNTRY REFUGEES IN CHILE.

3. FROM FOREGOING IT APPARENT THAT GOF HAS DECIDED TIME HAS COME TO EASE PRESSURE FROM PRESS AND OPPOSITION AS REPORTED IN REF A.

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